

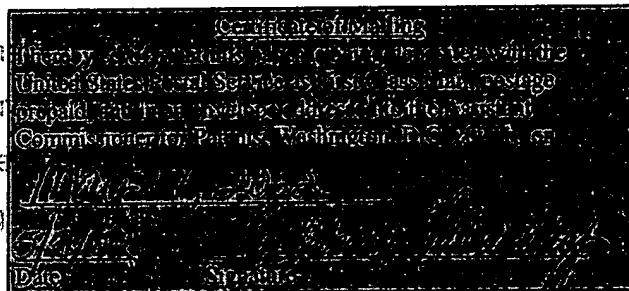
Please rewrite claims 1 and 4 to read as follows:

1. (Twice Amended) A hand operated syringe for injecting a liquid, comprising:
an elongated barrel having proximal and distal ends and an exit orifice at its
distal end;

b) a pair of opposing finger grips for reception of the index and middle fingers,
respectively, of a user's hand and carried at the proximal end of the barrel, each grip
having a generally distally facing gripping surface having an arcuate portion nearer the
barrel than any other arcuate gripping surface portion and defining a most proximal
point on said arcuate gripping surface to which finger pressure is applied proximally
during operation of the syringe, said points defining a plane substantially perpendicular
to the barrel's axis;

For: HIGH PRESSURE SYRINGE
c) a plunger received in the barrel and having a proximal end protruding from the
barrel, said proximal end including a pressure surface adapted to receive manual
pressure; the plunger being movable between retracted and fully inserted positions
within the barrel to discharge a volume of liquid through the exit orifice, the pressure

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

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